

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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Applicant: Herve LE BIHAN OK TO ENTER: /JP/  
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Title: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR SEPARATING AIR BY CRYOGENIC DISTILLATION  
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Docket No.: Serie 6385  
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**REPLY**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed January 21, 2010, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the present application in view of the following amendments and/or remarks:

**Amendment to the Claims** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 4 of this paper.